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25X1 10. (Confidential - GLC) In a chance meeting in the Capitol, Harry Symmes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, said he understood that when General Westmoreland was testifying before the Foreign Relations Committee he was asked if the Agency had any interest [redacted] According to Symmes' information, Westmoreland said he thought there were some Agency interests there and Symmes believes Westmoreland was asked to provide the Committee with information on this. I told Symmes we had been in touch with the Pentagon in advance of the appearance of the Joint Chiefs and that General Lambert was well briefed on this. He suggested we might want to check with Defense on this.

25X1A [redacted] is looking into this.

11. (Secret - GLC) Talked with Bill Woodruff, Counsel, Senate Appropriations Committee, who said there was some concern in the Senate over the recent changes in the intelligence setup. See Memorandum for the Record.

25X1A 12. (Secret - JGO) Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and received from him copies of the Committee Print of the Defense Appropriations bill and report. The Agency budget figures have been established in the mark-up. [redacted] OPPB, was advised.

13. (Confidential - JGO) Received a call from Mr. John Lally, Assistant Counsel, Special Subcommittee on Armed Services Investigating of the House Committee on Armed Services, who asked if we could verify for Chairman Hebert information given to the Committee a few moments before in hearings that are being conducted today concerning the Cuban International Society of Sugar Cane Technologists who arrived in New Orleans on 26 October 1971 and are being held for deportation. See Memorandum for the Record.

14. (Confidential - JGO) Met with Mr. William Phillips, Staff Director, Subcommittee on Foreign Operations and Government Information of the House Committee on Government Operations, and reviewed with him the draft Agency response to the Chairman's request of 26 October 1971 concerning "the degree of public participation in formal meetings and hearings conducted within the Executive Branch and other agencies." Mr. Phillips indicated that the response, in his opinion, would be completely acceptable. He noted in passing that this was the first response of any kind the Committee has had to the questionnaire.

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Regarding the White House announcement concerning the intelligence community, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] I said I thought there was nothing in the White House announcement, or in my own knowledge or experience that lent any weight to this theory. I noted there had been concern for some time, particularly in the Congress, over the untidiness of the intelligence machinery, and a strong desire to bring at least the financial aspects of the community under tighter coordination and control. I said this seemed to me the obvious explanation of the White House move, and that there was certainly no reason to think the Director, who had always had two hats, was now about to discard his CIA hat.

In closing I reminded Marcy of his request some time ago for copies of NIEs regarding Southeast Asia. He said he was delinquent in getting back in touch with me, and wondered if I had any suggestions. I said that since providing the Estimates was out of the question, it seemed to me the only solution was to start out by referring to the Director's testimony before the Committee, which I thought would cover most of the points at issue. I suggested the Committee first review the transcripts of this testimony, after which we would be glad to consider any additional questions they might have. Marcy said this was an interesting idea and he would think it over.

4. (Unclassified - GLC) Left with Dorothy Fosdick, Staff Director, Senate Subcommittee on National Security and International Operations, an FBIS item in which Senator Jackson was mentioned.

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5. (Unclassified - RW) Miss Frances Roberts, in the office of Representative David Henderson (D., N.C.), called to ask if a [REDACTED], was employed by the Agency, and if so, could a message be given to him to call them. After checking with Personnel, I advised Miss Roberts we had no record of [REDACTED] working for the Agency. She thanked me and said she would try State Department and DOD.

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